



Quantifying Resource Management Strategy Benefits and Robustness

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DWR Planning Studies

General Planning
Studies

(high level, informational)

Project Level
Studies

(detailed, decision
documents)

Presentation Overview

- 💧 Introduction to the California Water Plan
- 💧 Results from Update 2009
- 💧 Enhancements for Update 2013

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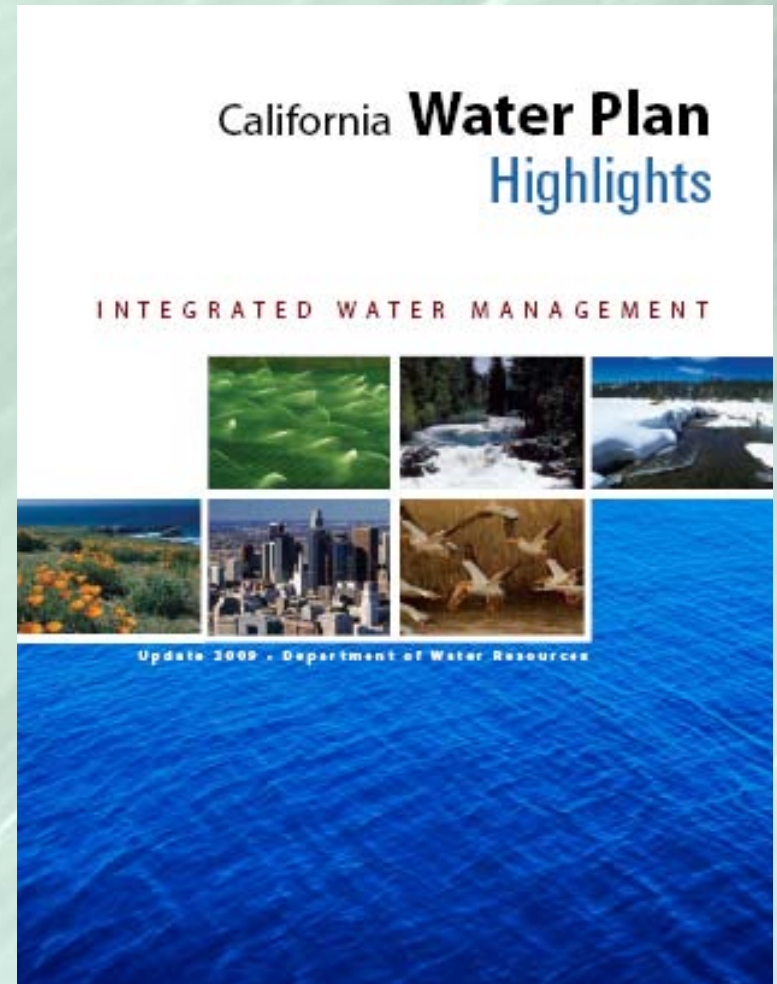


The California Water Plan

Est. 1957

- ◆ Introduction to the California Water Plan
- ◆ Update 2009 Results
- ◆ Enhancements for Update 2013

- ◆ First published in 1957
- ◆ Updated 9 times; last one in 2009
- ◆ DWR required by law (Water Code) to update the Water Plan every 5 years; next one in 2013
- ◆ Growing interest by Legislature and stakeholders
- ◆ Not a mandate & No appropriation



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*State's Blueprint for
Integrated Water Management & Sustainability*





FLOODS



DECLINING ECOSYSTEMS

Managing an Uncertain Future

Risk, Uncertainty, and Sustainability



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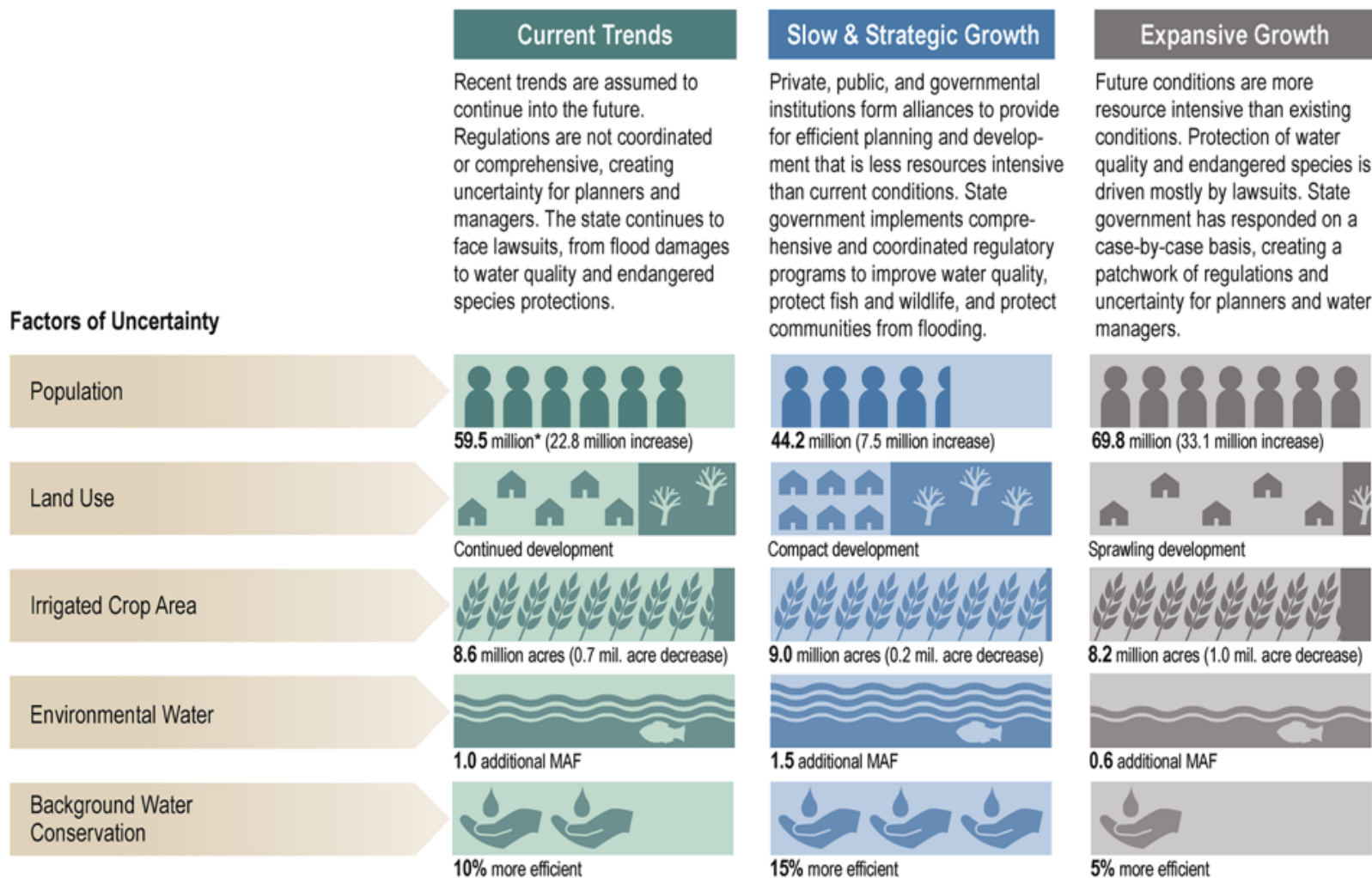


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Update 2009 Scenarios

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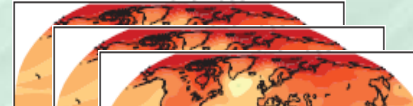
Factors of Uncertainty



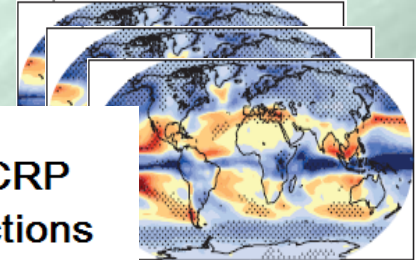
Analysis Considers Possible Climate Change Impacts

Global circulation models produce numerous projections of future climate

Future Temperature Projections



Future Precipitation Projections



Bias Corrected and Downscaled WCRP CMIP3 Climate and Hydrology Projections

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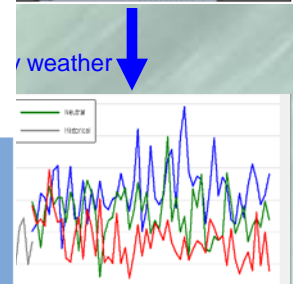
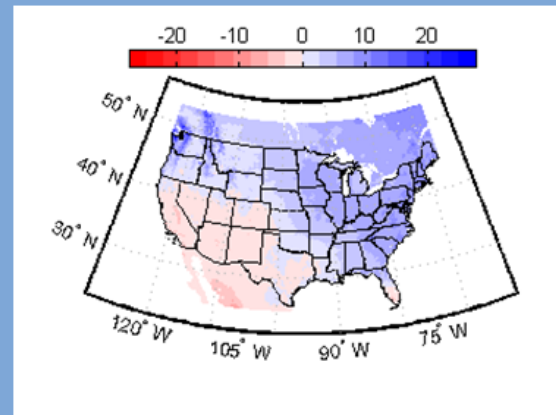
This archive contains fine spatial-resolution translations of:

- climate projections over the contiguous United States (U.S.) developed using two downscaling techniques (monthly BCSD Figure 1, and daily BCCA Figure 2), and
- hydrologic projections over the western U.S. (roughly the western U.S. Figure 3) corresponding to the monthly BCSD climate projections.

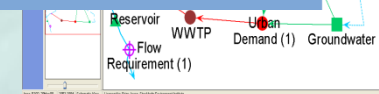
Archive content is based on global climate projections from the [World Climate Research Programme's \(WCRP's\) Coupled Model Intercomparison Project phase 3](#) (CMIP3) multi-model dataset, which was referenced in the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change Fourth Assessment Report. Please see the "About" page for information on projection development, including the methodology to perform climate model bias-correction and spatial downscaling.

Purpose

Figure 1: BCSD CMIP3 Monthly Climate Analysis example - Median projected change in average-annual precipitation (cm/year), 2041-70 versus 1971-2000.

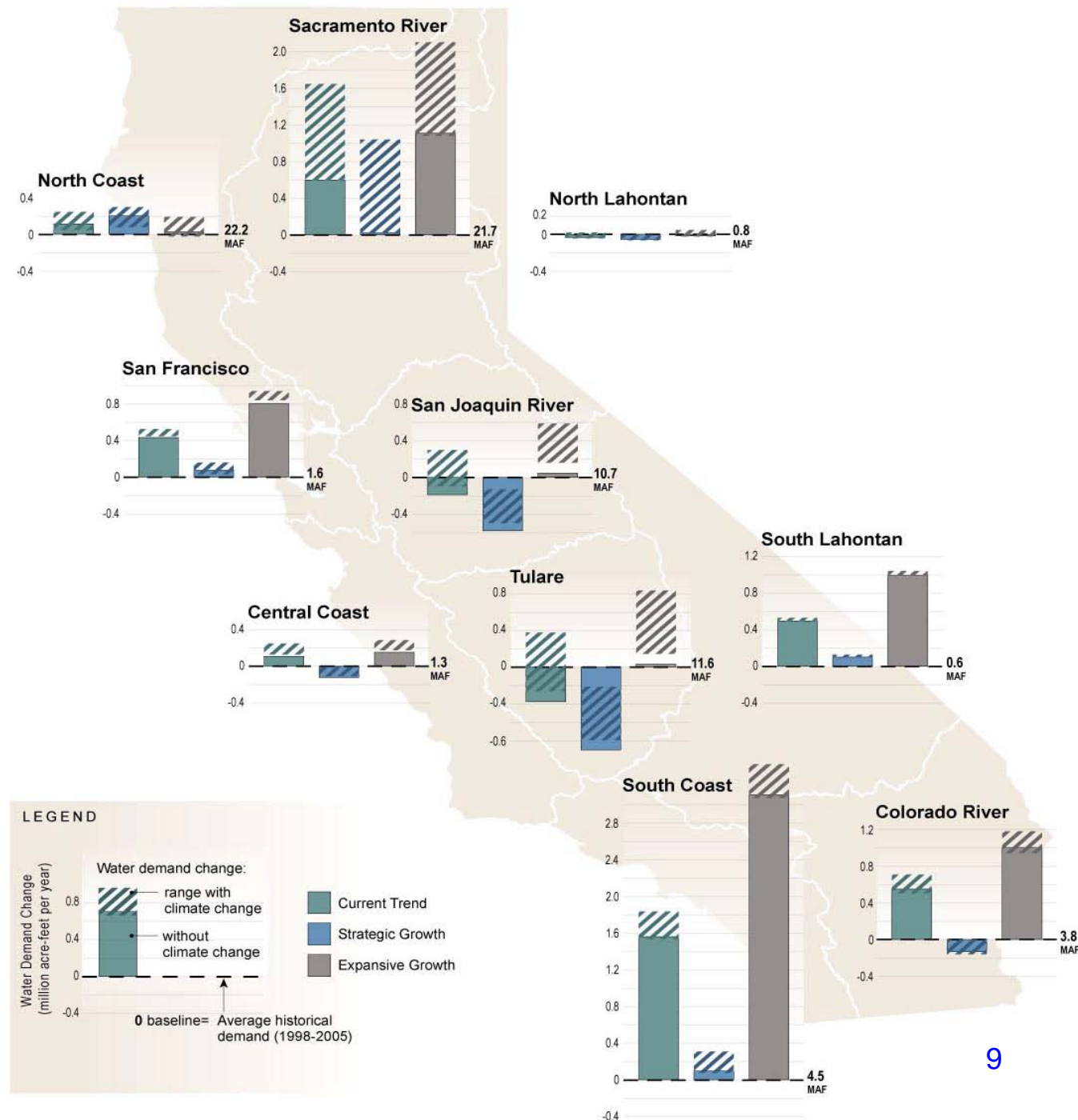


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Hydrologic Model

Update 2009 Regional Water Demand Changes By Scenario



Resource Management Strategies (Update 2009)

A Range of Choices

Reduce Water Demand

- ◆ Agricultural Water Use Efficiency
- ◆ Urban Water Use Efficiency

Improve Operational Efficiency & Transfers

- ◆ Conveyance – Delta
- ◆ Conveyance – Regional / Local
- ◆ System Reoperation
- ◆ Water Transfers

Increase Water Supply

- ◆ Conjunctive Management & Groundwater Storage
- ◆ Desalination –Brackish & Seawater
- ◆ Precipitation Enhancement
- ◆ Recycled Municipal Water
- ◆ Surface Storage – CALFED
- ◆ Surface Storage – Regional / Local

Improve Flood Management

- ◆ Flood Risk Management

Improve Water Quality

- ◆ Drinking Water Treatment & Distribution
- ◆ Groundwater / Aquifer Remediation
- ◆ Matching Quality to Use
- ◆ Pollution Prevention
- ◆ Salt & Salinity Management
- ◆ Urban Runoff Management

Practice Resource Stewardship

- ◆ Agricultural Lands Stewardship
- ◆ Economic Incentives
(Loans, Grants & Water Pricing)
- ◆ Ecosystem Restoration
- ◆ Forest Management
- ◆ Land Use Planning & Management
- ◆ Recharge Areas Protection
- ◆ Water-Dependent Recreation
- ◆ Watershed Management

Other-- Crop idling, dew vaporization, fog collection, irrigated land retirement, rainfed agriculture, waterbag transport

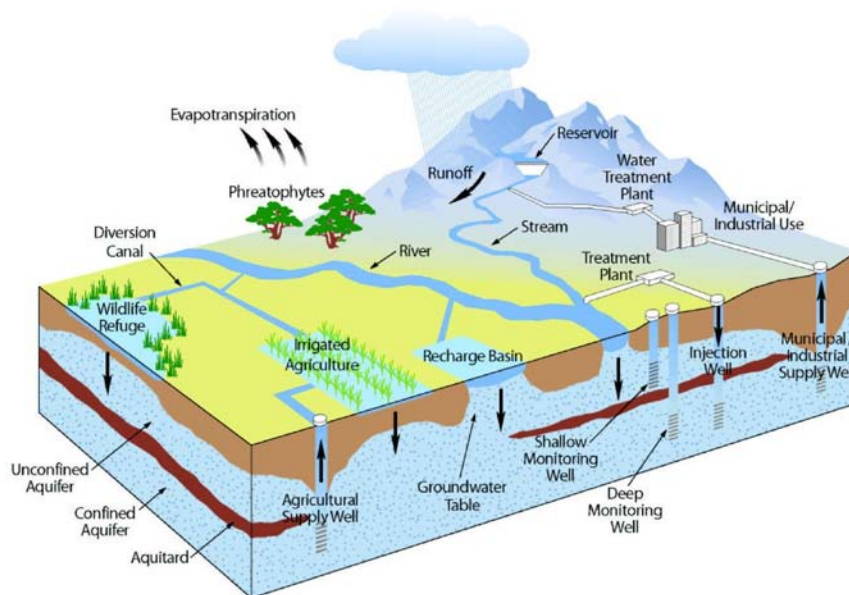
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Improvements to analytical tools allow for more comprehensive evaluation

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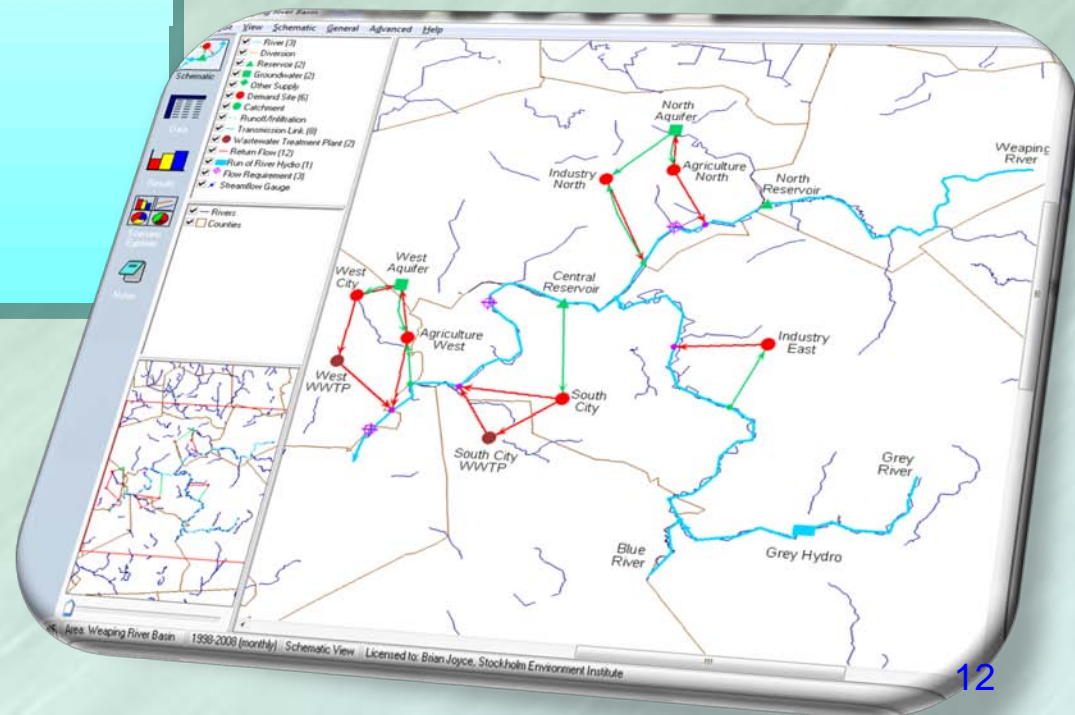
Water Evaluation And Planning System



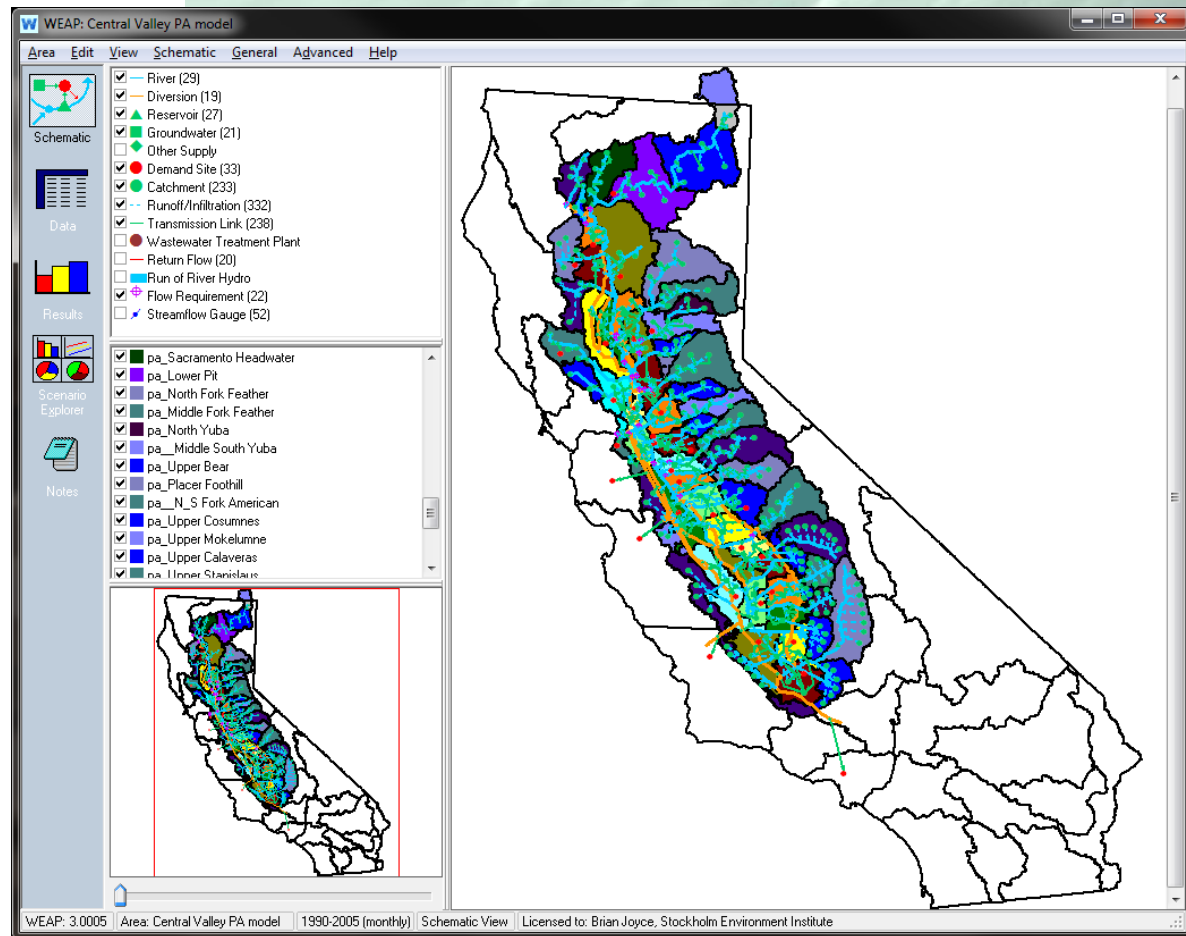
Water Evaluation And Planning System

Generic, object-oriented, programmable, integrated water resources management modeling platform

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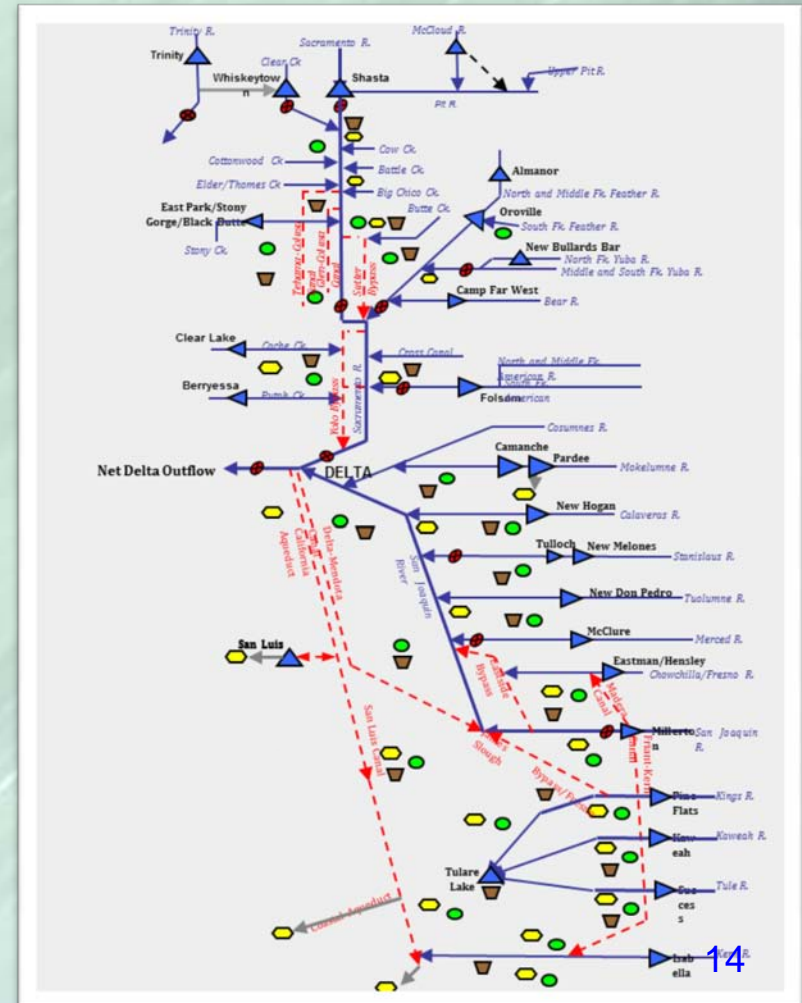
Central Valley WEAP Model



Water Evaluation And Planning (WEAP) Model*

Integrates Hydrology and Water Management

- Monthly temperature and precip. drive rainfall/runoff model
- Indoor demands:
 - Households / employees
- Irrigation demands:
 - monthly climate
 - land use patterns
- Network of rivers, reservoirs, conveyance, groundwater basins
- Linear program routes supplies to demand nodes according to supply preferences and priorities



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*<http://www.weap21.org/>

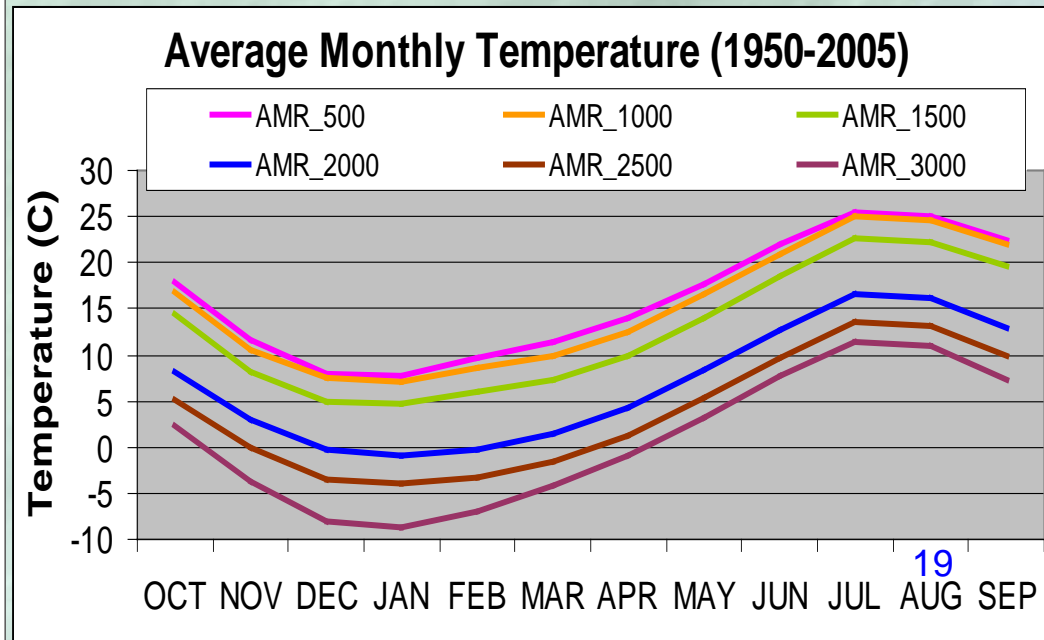
Gridded Climate Data

- ◆ 2,905 California grid points for climate data
- ◆ Central Valley WEAP PA model uses 233 representative points from 1,045 points covering source watershed and demand areas

Elevation Banding of Source Watersheds

Ex. American River:

- 💧 Six 500-meter elevation bands
- 💧 6 points selected from 33 grid points



Limitations for Update 2013 Analysis

- 💧 Resource limitations restrict more comprehensive analysis of three regions in Central Valley
 - Phased approach
- 💧 Cannot represent all strategies or quantify all strategy benefits
- 💧 Representation of regional groundwater and surface water systems
- 💧 Use monthly rainfall-runoff, water use, and water system operations data

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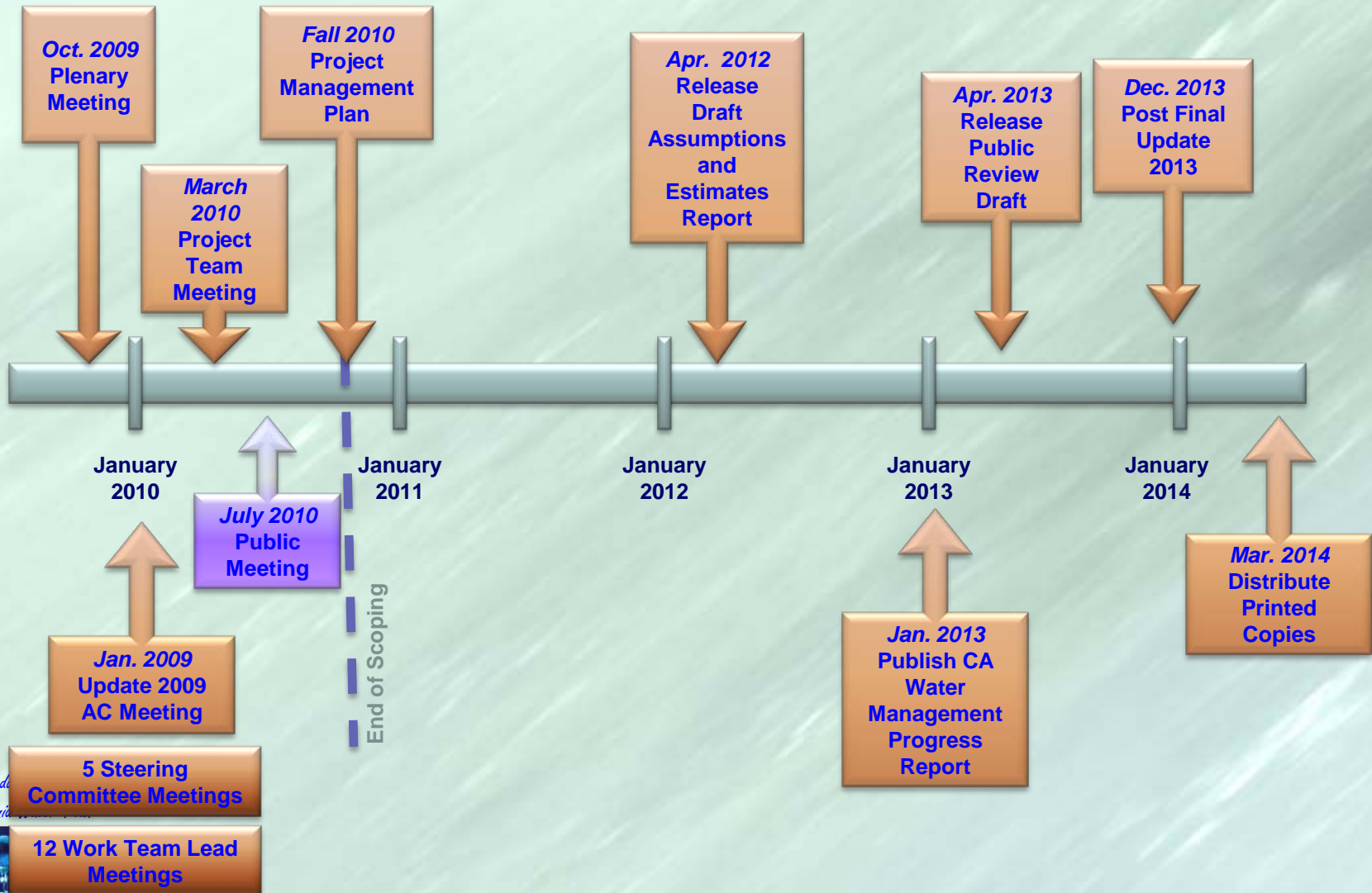
Areas Outside of Sacramento River, San Joaquin River and Tulare Lake Regions

- 💧 Apply simpler Hydrologic Region model developed for Update 2009
- 💧 Quantify regional water demand
 - Update 3 growth scenarios
 - Update 12 climate scenarios
- 💧 Ability to include some demand management strategies



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Timeline and Major Deliverables



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